

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 2211

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: FRENCH OFFER RE MILITARY AIRCRAFT TO GOK

1. FONMIN SABAH AL- AHMAD, ALSO MEMBER OF GOK DEFENSE COMMITTEE, TOLD AMBASSADOR JUNE 23 THAT GOK CURRENTLY CONSIDERING MILITARY AIRCRAFT OFFERS FROM US AND FRANCE BUT NOT RPT NOT UK. FONMIN APPEARED CONFIDENT GOK WOULD LEASE OR PURCHASE F-8 S FROM US BUT STILL UNDECIDED ON FOLLOW- ON AIRCRAFT.

2. FONMIN SAID FRENCH OFFERED KUWAITIS IMMEDIATE DELIVERY OF TYPE OF MIRAGE SOLD TO LIBYA AND ISRAEL BUT ADDED MIRAGE F-1 NOT AVAILABLE FOR FOUR TO FIVE YEARS.

3. AMBASSADOR BELIEVES FRENCH OFFER WAS OLD MIRAGES NOW WITH FOLLOW- ON F-1 S LATER. FONMIN CLEARLY INDICATED GOK NOT INTERESTED IN OLD MIRAGE AND ONLY WANTS F-1. DECISION RE F-1 WILL PROBABLY HINGE ON WHAT FOLLOW- ON AIRCRAFT USG IN POSITION TO OFFER.  
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